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**Subject:** RE: For Review Today: Pebble Status Update  
**Attachments:** Pebble Update 2-11-20.docx

Hi Dan,

Attached is an updated version of the Pebble status update for Chris. I think almost everyone on the distribution list of my email below was able to review and/or edit, so it should represent the team's collective thinking. Please let me know if you want to discuss or have additional edits.

I checked in with Sue and it sounds like Chris should be around AOO tomorrow morning, so I will try to hand off a hard copy to him in addition to you sending electronically.

Thanks,

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Thanks, Matt. Sounds great.

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**Subject:** FW: For Review Today: Pebble Status Update

Hi Dan,

Just a quick status update – I'm hoping to have a draft to you soon after 3pm your time. Most of the key reviewers have edited at this point, but I am still waiting on a few more details. Thanks.

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**Subject:** For Review Today: Pebble Status Update

Hello all,

I learned yesterday afternoon that Regional Administrator Chris Hladick is asking for an update on the status of our work on Pebble Mine. In talking to Dan, it sounds like he's looking for two items: (1) a status update of the various components – NEPA, 404, litigation, and (2) an outline of the various 3(b) options and context given the current status.

The first item is being requested since he will be in Alaska this week at the Alaska Forum on the Environment and on panel with the DEC Commissioner on Wednesday where Pebble is expected to come up. It sounds like the second item is being requested for a future update with Matt Leopold (I don't have any other details than that). I know we've talked about potential options at previous meetings, but could especially use assistance in making sure these are aligned with the group's thinking. The idea is we would also include the draft 404 Discussion Topic list for the Corps at the end of this document for Chris.

Using various talking points, meeting agendas and updates, I developed a first draft. The document can be found on Sharepoint here: [Pebble Update 2-11-20](#)

Apologies for the short turnaround time, but please provide edits **by 3pm pacific today**. Dan would like to share this with Chris by COB today and he'll want the final version in hand Wednesday morning.

Please let me know if you have questions. Thanks for your assistance.

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